# Essex News

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#### Recycling Seminar for Residents

Everything you need to know about recycling in Toronto and at the Essex

September xx 8 – 9:30 pm in the Party Room

# Refreshments will be served

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#### Update on Recycling at The Essex

In the last edition of Essex News, we reported on the need for increased emphasis on recycling at the Essex. Here's where we are in implementing our 5-point plan:

- 1. Free Recycling bags and are now available in the Management Office. Pick one up to help make transporting your recyclable materials to the recycling room in P1 less of a hassle.
- 2. Check out the **new garbage chute signs** on your floor that make clear that only well wrapped small kitchen and other household waste is to be sent down the chute, and NOTHING ELSE.
- 3. Recently, **new large bulk blue bins for paper** products have been

provided in the recycling room. Please use them only for paper and flattened cardboard only.

- 4. Be guided by the **new recycling room signs** that make it clear about where all recyclable materials are to go in the various recycling bins and what other stuff goes into the garbage bin, just outside.
- 5. Attend the **recycling seminar** offered by the City of Toronto on September xx, at 8 pm. All Essex residents are invited to drop by and hear the reasons for the need for the increased emphasis on recycling in Condominiums and the crucial role of the resident. You will also be invited to provide feedback to the City and Management about the program.

### **Bicycles and Parking**

A new 15 rack bicycle storage room in Essex 2 is now available, but it is not a shared amenity and therefore not available to Phase 1 residents.

Essex 1 and 2 residents who do not qualify for use of the Phase 2 bicycle storage room can continue to store a bicycle(s) in their designated parking spot as long as no portion of any motor vehicle or bicycle protrudes beyond the boundaries of the parking spot nor encroaches on any portion of the common elements.

So, parking bicycle(s) <u>completely</u> <u>within</u> your parking spot is OK, but connecting a bicycle in any way to any portion of the common elements, such as railings is NOT.

And riding bicycles is NOT allowed <u>anywhere</u> on the common elements, including the ramps.

## New Essex Patrol Guard service cancelled

Effective July 15, 2005, the recently established new Patrol Guard coverage was cancelled at the Essex Site.

Tridel on behalf of Phase 2 residents was unwilling to continue to pay for their share of the cost. Unfortunately, Phase 1 could not afford to continue to pay for the service alone without a negative impact on their 2005 budget.

Reinstatement of the service will be pursued when Phase 2 is registered and their board is elected. This added patrol Guard coverage allows for the Concierges in both buildings to be at their Service Desk for a greater proportion of the time, and also permits all Essex residents coming home late at night being able to ask to be accompanied from their car to their suite door for that extra feeling of safety.

## Essex Visitor Parking enforcement

As of July 11, enforcement of Visitor Parking rules was strengthened.

Now, regardless of the time of day a visitor parking pass must be obtained from the Concierges and displayed on the dash.

ANY vehicle parked in Visitors parking and not displaying a <u>valid Visitor Parking pass</u> will be tagged and or towed at owner expense.

Unfortunately, significant abuse of the rule banning residents from parking in Visitors parking at any time demanded that this drastic action be taken so that legitimate visitors were able to find a spot when necessary.

Visitors may enter only through the Dundas Street ramp and

park in either the Essex 1 or new Essex 2 **short-term Visitor** parking areas on P1.

Visitors may exit at the Dundas Street ramp or P1 Essex 2 rear door.

Additional long-term **Visitor** parking is available in the Essex 2 Resident parking level P2 (accessible only AFTER registration by an adult sponsoring Resident with either Concierge and issuance of a temporary FOB for garage access only.)

## Summer Sizzler

Fun, food and frolic

Sunday, July 24, 2005



Over 175 residents from both buildings turned out for the first ever Essex BBQ. Many thanks to our Essex Social Committee organizers and the volunteers from both buildings who helped make the event a great success. Find more BBQ pictures at <u>http://www.theessex.ca</u>.

# Revised Phase 1 Rules in effect August 1

The proposed revised Condominium Rules communicated to all owners on July 1, 2005 are now in effect.

Copies available from the Concierge or at <u>http://www.theessex.ca/Rules.htm</u>.

Now, Condominium Rules for both Phase 1 (TSCC #1577) and those proposed for Phase 2 are in the same.

And, we are assured that when Phase 2 is registered, their Shared Facilities rules will be made identical to the existing Phase 1 rules.

## Neighbourhood Tips

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## Good Neighbour Tips

#### CHECK BEFORE ACTING

Remember, check with the Management Office <u>before</u> making any alternations, or installations in your unit, patio/terrace or balcony.

What you are intending may be subject to restrictions that are a condition of ownership.

And, the corporation is obligated by law to enforce those restrictions.

So find out what is allowed beforehand and avoid a lot of hassle on everybody's part and possible unwanted costs for you. Enjoy the season, but please remind your children to use public parks

Have a safe

summer



All ball games and skateboarding etc. are NOT allowed anywhere on the Essex grounds and NO jumping, or diving in the pool and NO boisterous play anywhere.

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#### CONTACT NUMBERS

# Important day-to-day facts about the Essex



Phase 1 Concierge: 416 239-0685 (24 hours a day)
Phase 2 Concierge: 416 239-2286 (24 hours a day)
Property Manager: 416 239-9786 Mon. – Fri. 9 am to 5 pm
Move/Delivery Hours: Monday to Saturday – 8 am to 8 pm
Book Moves/Deliveries via the Concierge in your building
Essex Club Recreation Centre Hours: 6 am to 11 pm
Pool (look for revised schedules soon)

Book Party Room, Guest Suites & Board/Meeting Rooms through the Property Manager

Book Virtual Golf, Billiards Room & BBQs through Phase 1 Concierge

# Essex Website

New FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) section added to the new Essex website.

This new and enhanced website: http://www.theessex.ca provides a rich and convenient additional source of information for residents about the Essex 24 hours a day seven days a week.

Check it out first whenever you want a piece of information about living at the Essex.

If the answer is not there, use the Feedback section to ask your question or provide other feedback to the Board and Property Manager.

You will get a prompt acknowledgement and timely private response.

Responses of general interest will be added to the FAQ section.

#### More About Phase 2

#### New Management Office

Located at the western end of the Essex Club Recreation Centre Concourse.

#### New Board Room

For Corporation use and also available for booking by residents for business meetings.

#### New Aerobics/Exercise Room

Open to all residents, with two treadmills and exercise pads.

#### New Billiards Room

New wood-paneled Billiards Room, already a popular fun spot for residents.

#### Occupancy Status

As of August 1, about xx % of Phase 2 residents have moved in.

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